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**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
TRANSMITTAL**

Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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| Attorney Docket No.: | Sprint IDF 1496 |
| First Inventor or Application Identifier | Earl Goodrich II, et al |
| Title | Backplane Utopia Bus |
| Express Mail Label No. | EL680310455US |

I. APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g. PTO/SB17)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages:] **23**
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claims(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Sheets: **2**
5. ☒ Oath or Declaration Total Pages: **2**
a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

**ADDRESS TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box Patent Application
Washington, DC 20231**

6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence
Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies
- ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**
8. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
9. ☐ 37 C. FR 3.73(b) Statement [] Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
☐ Copies of IDS Citations
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Other

17. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: /

Prior application information: Examiner: *

Group/Art Unit: *

For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under box 4b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relief upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

18. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL
FY 2000**

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Complete if Known

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| Application Number | * |
| Filing Date | |
| First Named Inventor | Earl Goodrich II, et al. |
| Group Art Unit | * |
| Examiner Name | * |

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT

(\$ 750.00)

Attorney Docket Number

Sprint IDF 1496

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1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:

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Deposit Account Name: Sprint

- ☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed:
☐ Check ☐ Money Order ☐ Other

FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

| Large Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------|
| 101 | 710 | 201 | 355 | Utility filing fee | \$710 |
| 106 | 320 | 206 | 160 | Design filing fee | \$ |
| 107 | 490 | 207 | 245 | Plant filing fee | \$ |
| 108 | 710 | 208 | 355 | Reissue filing fee | \$ |
| 114 | 150 | 214 | 75 | Provisional filing fee | \$ |

SUBTOTAL (1) \$ 710**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

| | Extra | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|----------------------------|-------|----------------|----------|
| Total Claims 7 - 20 = | * | x 18.00 = | \$ |
| Independent Claims 2 - 3 = | * | x 80.00 = | \$ |
| Multiple Dependent | | 270.00 = | \$ |

| Large Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|---|
| 103 | 18 | 203 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 102 | 78 | 202 | 39 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 104 | 260 | 204 | 130 | Multiple dependent claim |
| 109 | 78 | 209 | 39 | Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 110 | 18 | 210 | 9 | Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

SUB TOTAL (2) \$ 0**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

| Large Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--|----------|
| 105 | 130 | 205 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | \$ |
| 127 | 50 | 227 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | \$ |
| 139 | 130 | 139 | 130 | Non-English specification | \$ |
| 147 | 2,520 | 147 | 2,520 | For filing a request for reexam | \$ |
| 112 | 920* | 112 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | \$ |
| 113 | 1,840* | 113 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | \$ |
| 115 | 110 | 215 | 55 | Extension for reply within 1st month | \$ |
| 116 | 390 | 216 | 195 | Extension for reply within 2nd month | \$ |
| 117 | 890 | 217 | 445 | Extension to reply within 3rd month | \$ |
| 118 | 1,390 | 218 | 695 | Extension to reply within 4th month | \$ |
| 128 | 1,890 | 228 | 945 | Extension to reply within 5th month | \$ |
| 119 | 310 | 219 | 155 | Notice of Appeal | \$ |
| 120 | 310 | 220 | 155 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | \$ |
| 121 | 270 | 221 | 135 | Request for oral hearing | \$ |
| 138 | 1,510 | 138 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | \$ |
| 140 | 110 | 240 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | \$ |
| 141 | 1,240 | 241 | 620 | Petition to revive - unintentional | \$ |
| 142 | 1,210 | 242 | 605 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | \$ |
| 143 | 440 | 243 | 220 | Design issue fee | \$ |
| 144 | 600 | 244 | 300 | Plant issue fee | \$ |
| 122 | 130 | 122 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | \$ |
| 123 | 50 | 123 | 50 | Petitions related to provisional apps. | \$ |
| 126 | 240 | 126 | 240 | Submission of Information Dis. Stmt. | \$ |
| 581 | 40 | 581 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | \$40 |
| 146 | 690 | 246 | 345 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | \$ |
| 149 | 690 | 249 | 345 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | \$ |

Other fee (specify) _____ \$

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